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NMCB 5 WARRIORS CONDUCT COMBAT TRAINING

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3078.JPG: Fort Hunter Liggett, Calif. --- On convoy during Operation Bearing Duel 4-06, Constructionman Philip J. Tremiti of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 5 is ready for any hostile action as he mans his 50 caliber machine gun mounted in a HUMVEE military vehicle. Tremiti is part of NMCB 5 Convoy Security Team. This picture was taken just prior to a fire fight with an enemy vehicle. Each year NMCB 5 conducts a field exercise known as

FEX to train battalion members in construction and combat skills.
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2965.JPG: Fort Hunter Liggett, Calif. --- Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 5 Seabee Constructionman Cliff R. Petheram operates a high-torch impact wrench as he secures a piece of heavy-timber on the Timber Tower Project. This project and several others were completed safely during the annual field exercise Operation Bearing Duel. Official Navy Photo/JO1(SW) Palmer Pinckney II



2940.JPG: Fort Hunter Liggett, Calif. --- Chief Petty Officer Brian A. Akeson (left) and Petty Officer 2nd Class Christopher S. Wooten at work in the Command Operation Center, review tactical maps during Operation Bearing Duel (BD) 4-06. BD 4-06 is an annual field exercise held to train battalion members in contingency construction and combat skills. Official Navy Photo/JO1(SW) Palmer Pinckney II



2892.JPG: Fort Hunter Liggett, Calif. --- Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 5 Seabee Petty Officer 1st Class Andrew J. LaChance operates a power saw precisely cutting wood to be used in the construction of a 50 foot tall heavy timber tower. This construction project was one of several completed during field exercise Operation Bearing Duel 4-06. Official Navy Photo/JO1(SW) Palmer Pinckney II



2888.JPG: Fort Hunter Liggett, Calif. --- Seabees of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 5 construct an Entrance Control Point Security Bunker during field exercise Operation Bearing Duel 4-06. This 7 by 7 by 10 foot structure was completed safely and on time. Official Navy Photo/JO1(SW) Palmer Pinckney II



2869.JPG: Fort Hunter Liggett, Calif. --- Constructionman Reynante B. Taa of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 5 wears his face of destruction mask (a mask he created) during Operation Bearing Duel 4-06. This field exercise is held annually to train battalion members in combat and construction skills while operating in a contingency environment. Official Navy Photo/JO1(SW) Palmer Pinckney II



2865.JPG: Fort Hunter Liggett, Calif. --- Builder 2nd Class Todd W. Campbell of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 5 constructs a guard tower for use during field exercise (FEX) Operation Bearing Duel 4-06. Official Navy Photo/JO1(SW) Palmer Pinckney II



3138.JPG: Fort Hunter Liggett, Calif. -- A "Seabeehive" of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 5. These Seabees gather at the end of Operation Bearing Duel 4-06 to listen to Commander Jorge P. Rios, Commanding officer of NMCB 5 express satisfaction with the battalion's performance during the training exercise. "I heard positive reports each day about your performance here. Small unit leadership was a key ingredient in our

success. We put safety first, proved our readiness and accomplished the mission at hand," said Commander Rios. Official Navy Photo/JO1(SW) Palmer Pinckney II



2813.JPG: Fort Hunter Liggett, Calif. --- The Chemical Biological and Radiological (CBR) team of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 5 conducts a chemical agent detection test while participating in field exercise (FEX) Operation Bearing Duel 4-06. Pictured in the middle is Steelworker 1st Class Ronald D. Sweere holding a M256 chemical detection kit. The CBR team conducted several drills during the FEX to train battalion

personnel how to survive and operate in a contingency environment where chemical agents are used. Official Navy Photo/JO1(SW) Palmer Pinckney II



2810.JPG: Fort Hunter Liggett. Calif. --- Constructionman Brandon S. Dietz prepares to escort a military convoy during Operation Bearing Duel 4-06. Dietz and other members of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 5 recently completed this annual field exercise training. The weapon Dietz is pictured with is a 50 caliber machine gun mounted to a military HUMVEE vehicle. Official Navy Photo/JO1(SW) Palmer Pinckney II



2797.JPG: Fort Hunter Liggett, Calif. --- Dentistry is practice during the field operation (FEX) by Lieutenant (Dr.) Orest G. Bauer (left) and Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Cesar B. Othon (right). Pictured in the middle is Constructionman Carl B. Higgs receiving X-Rays. Higgs and many other Seabees of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 5 had appointments with the Dental staff during this year's FEX dubbed Operation Bearing Duel 4-06. Dr.

Bauer is examining the results of the X-Ray on a laptop computer which provides immediate images thereby allowing the dental personnel the

ability to provide hospital quality care for patients during contingency operations training. Official Navy Photo/JO1(SW) Palmer Pinckney II



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2753.JPG: Fort Hunter Liggett, Calif. --- Petty Officer 2nd Class Jonathan A. Wells stays focused during patrol training. Wells a member of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 5 participated in Operation Bearing Duel 4-06 the battalion's annual field exercise (FEX). The FEX is designed to bring battalion personnel a higher level of knowledge and combat readiness for real-world contingency operations. Official



without using live ammunition. McCaslin is also qualified to use the M240B machine gun and the 9MM hand gun. Official Navy Photo/JO1(SW) Palmer Pinckney II

2740.JPG: Fort Hunter Liggett, Calif. --- During the field exercise Operation Bearing Duel 4-06, Builder Constructionman Christina L. McCaslin of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 5's Air Detachment (AIRDET) aligns her M16 automatic rifle to work with Multiple Integrated Laser Engagement System (MILES) gear. This equipment allows Seabees to use weapons in a training environment and simulate engagement with hostile forces



2729.JPG: Fort Hunter Liggett, Calif. --- During field exercise (FEX) Operation Bearing Duel 4-06, a few Seabees of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 5's Air Detachment (AIRDET) stand outside the Command Operation Center. The large antenna in the background is an extremely high-frequency OE-254 communications antenna. During the FEX, NMCB 5 communications department maintained approximately 200 antennas and installed over 5 miles of communication wire to connect these antennas. They also installed over 4000 feet of data cable to establish a local area network (INTRANET). Official Navy Photo/JO1(SW) Palmer Pinckney II



2722.JPG: Fort Hunter Liggett, Calif. --- During field exercise (FEX) Operation Bearing Duel 4-06, members of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 5's Air Detachment (AIRDET) finish installation of concertina wire to establish a security perimeter around their camp. Each year NMBC 5 conducts a FEX to ensure that

members are well versed in combat and construction skills in a contingency environment. Official Navy Photo/JO1(SW) Palmer Pinckney II



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2700.JPG: Fort Hunter Liggett, Calif. --- Steelworker 1st Class Julio A. Martinez (pictured in the middle) along with other Seabees of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 5 enjoy the first prepared hot meal during the field exercise (FEX). This annual three week exercise provides participants with combat and construction training in a contingency environment. Battalion Culinary Specialist prepared over 1800 meals each day during the FEX.



2669.JPG: Fort Hunter Liggett, Calif. --- Members of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 5's Bravo Company build a leech field for field galley operations. The leech field serves as a grease trap for daily food preparation conducted by battalion Culinary Specialists (CS). During the three week FEX the CS team prepared over 1800 meals daily. Official Navy Photo: JO1(SW) Palmer Pinckney II



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2657.JPG: Fort Hunter Liggett, Calif. --- Gunny Sergeant Ronald E. Russell (pointing finger), Military Advisor for Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 5, conducts squad level patrol training for Charlie Company Seabees. Picture next to Russell is Constructionman Juan C. Lopez. Each year NMCB 5 conducts a field exercise (FEX) to bring battalion personnel a higher level of knowledge and combat readiness for real-world contingency



2663.JPG: Fort Hunter Liggett, Calif. --- Petty Officer 2nd Class Jayson Ortiz of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 5, Charlie Company on patrol during the battalion field exercise (FEX) dubbed Operation Bearing Duel 4-06. Company level training in combat skill areas such as fighting positions, patrols, CBR gear use, medical skills and military operations comprised much of the first week of the three week FEX. Official Navy Photo: JO1(SW) Palmer Pinckney II



Fort Hunter Liggett, Calif. --- Builder Constructionman James W. Strait and other members of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 5 Charlie Company participates in Operation Bearing Duel 4-06 an annual field exercise (FEX). NMCB 5 conducts this three week FEX to bring battalion personnel a higher level of knowledge and combat readiness for real-world contingency operations. Official Navy Photo: JO1(SW) Palmer Pinckney II



2664(1).JPG: For Hunter Liggett, Calif. -- - Builder 2nd Class Alicia M. Athy runs quickly to another location to provide squad protection during patrol training, part of Operation Bearing Duel 4-06. Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 5 completed their three week annual field exercise in May. Each battalion member learned valuable construction and combat contingency skills. Official Navy Photo/JO1(SW) Palmer Pinckney II

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